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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This responds to the May 19, 2003 Office Action in
the above-identified application.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace page 9, lines 13-19 with the following
paragraph:¹

Figure 1. **(A)** Predicted amino acid sequence of
human APRIL (SEQ ID NO: 2). The predicted transmembrane

¹ An "Appendix of Amendments" is attached herewith,
showing the amendments to the specification. In the
Appendix, additions and deletions are indicated by
underscore and brackets, respectively.